VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

- 1. (Twice Amended) An apparatus for covering payloads, said apparatus comprising:
 - (a) a suspended track;
- (b) a hoist, slidably engaged to said track, said hoist having a retractable line, said retractable line being maneuverable in multiple directions;
- (c) a spreader bar attachable to said retractable line, said bar having means for attaching to a covering; and
 - (d) means to move said hoist.

Claim 9 has been amended as follows:

9. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said means to move said hoist comprises [an electronically operable remote controlled system] a non-pendant operable remote controlled system;

Claim 10 has been amended as follows:

- 10. (Amended) The apparatus of [claim 9 further comprising] <u>claim 1</u>, <u>wherein said means to move said hoist comprises:</u>
 - (a) a guide extending laterally from said hoist; and
- (b) a wire connected at one end to said hoist, running along said guide, and connected at its second end to said remote controlled system.

Claim 15 has been amended as follows:

15. (Amended) An apparatus for covering payloads, said apparatus comprising a movable hoist slidably suspended over a payload, said hoist having a retractable line that is maneuverable in multiple directions and that can be connected to a covering to be spread over the payload.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that this submission is a complete reply to the final Office Action and further requests that the submission be entered and considered in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114(d).

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